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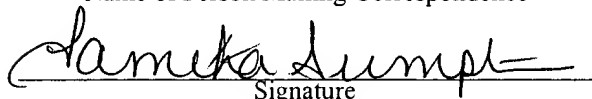
This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to change the multiple dependent claims to single dependent claims in order to reduce the government filing fee.

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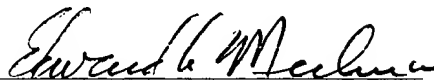


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APPENDIX A
"CLEAN" VERSION OF EACH PARAGRAPH/SECTION/CLAIM
37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(ii) AND (c)(i)

CLAIMS (with indication of amended or new):

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B2 (Amended) 7. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises, in addition, another fungicidal active material, in particular iprodione.

A1 (Amended) 8. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is chosen so as to produce a synergistic effect.

B (Amended) 9. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is between 10 and 0.01, preferably between 5 and 0.5.

(Amended) 10. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is between 5 and 0.5.

(Amended) 11. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises, besides compounds (I) and (II), an agriculturally suitable inert support and optionally an agriculturally suitable surfactant.

(Amended) 12. The fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises from 0.5 to 99% of the combination of compound (I) and compound (II).

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A2 B3 (Amended) 14. A process for curatively or preventively controlling the phytopathogenic fungi of crops, characterized in that an effective and non-phytotoxic amount of a fungicidal composition as claimed in claim 1 is applied onto the vegetation to be treated.

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A3 B4 (Amended) 16. The process as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that the amount of fungicidal composition corresponds to a dose of compound (I) of between 10 and 500 g/ha, preferably between 20 and 300 g/ha.

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(Amended) 17. The process as claimed in claim 14, characterized in that the amount of fungicidal composition corresponds to a dose of compound (II) of between 10 and 500 g/ha, preferably between 20 and 300 g/ha.

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APPENDIX B

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii) AND (c)(ii)

CLAIMS:

7. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 6] claim 1, characterized in that it comprises, in addition, another fungicidal active material, in particular iprodione.

8. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 7] claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is chosen so as to produce a synergistic effect.

9. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 8] claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is between 10 and 0.01, preferably between 5 and 0.5.

10. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 9] claim 1, characterized in that the compound (I)/compound (II) ratio is between 5 and 0.5.

11. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 10] claim 1, characterized in that it comprises, besides compounds (I) and (II), an agriculturally suitable inert support and optionally an agriculturally suitable surfactant.

12. The fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 11] claim 1, characterized in that it comprises from 0.5 to 99% of the combination of compound (I) and compound (II).

14. A process for curatively or preventively controlling the phytopathogenic fungi of crops, characterized in that an effective and non-phytotoxic amount of a fungicidal composition as claimed in [one of claims 1 to 12] claim 1 is applied onto the vegetation to be treated.

16. The process as claimed in [either of claims 14 and 15] claim 14, characterized in that the amount of fungicidal composition corresponds to a dose of compound (I) of between 10 and 500 g/ha, preferably between 20 and 300 g/ha.

17. The process as claimed in [one of claims 14 to 16] claim 14, characterized in that the amount of fungicidal composition corresponds to a dose of compound (II) of between 10 and 500 g/ha, preferably between 20 and 300 g/ha.

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